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Hongkong, 16th September, 1896. [2110]

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NOTICE.

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JARDINE, MATTHEW & CO.,
General Managers,
HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED. [2111]

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HOLLIDAY, WISE & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 15th September, 1896. [2109]

MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA.

FOR ROBE DIRECT.

THE Company's Steamship

"KACHIDATE MARU."

Captain I. Natsuki, will leave for the above port on FRIDAY, the 24th inst., at Noon. For Freight or Passage apply to
MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA.
Hongkong, 15th September, 1896. [2112]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"MAZAGON."

Consignment of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and placed in their shed in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out, marked by date and delivery can be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

Goods not claimed by the 21st inst., at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All damaged packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the receipt of the goods, after which no claims will be recognized.

H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 15th September, 1896. [2108]

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INTIMATIONS.

THE UNITED ASBESTOS ORIENTAL AGENCY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that in accordance with Section 36 of "The Companies Ordinance, 1865," the FIRST GENERAL MEETING of the UNITED ASBESTOS ORIENTAL AGENCY, LIMITED, will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, THIS DAY (WEDNESDAY), the 16th day of SEPTEMBER, 1896, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

THE UNITED ASBESTOS ORIENTAL AGENCY, LIMITED.
General Agents.
HONGKONG, 16th September, 1896. [2067]

POSTPONEMENT OF MEETING.

NOTICE.

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

A SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING of the MEMBERS of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce will be held on SATURDAY, the 19th SEPTEMBER, inst., at 11.15 A.M. in the Chamber Room, City Hall, for the purpose of considering the action of the Chamber in relation to the proposed increase of the rates for Europe and America 37½ percent and 43.25 percent respectively.

With reference to the latter, any Member having a Candidate to propose will please communicate with the Secretary on or before MONDAY, the 14th September, in order that the necessary arrangements for a ballot may be made.

By Order,
R. CHATBERTON WILCOX,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 14th September, 1896. [2068]

HONGKONG ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING for the purpose of receiving the Committee's Report and Statement of Account for past year, and electing Committees for ensuing year, and for the transaction of General Business, will be held at the City Hall on TUESDAY, the 22nd SEPTEMBER, at 5.30 P.M.

DAVID WOOD,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 15th September, 1896. [2105]

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTIETH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the HEAD OFFICE, Victoria, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 28th inst., at 10 o'clock, Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts to 30th April last, and of electing Dividends.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 10th to the 20th inst., both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
W. H. RAY,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 5th September, 1896. [2045]

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHAREHOLDERS are hereby informed that a General Meeting held in London recently an INTERIM DIVIDEND of 3 per Cent. has been declared on the Company's Preference Shares for the Six Months ending 30th June, this being at the rate of 6 per Cent. per annum.

THE DIVIDEND WARRANTS will be ready on the 1st October.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 20th inst. till the 1st October inclusive.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 12th September, 1896. [2094]

FOR THE MAIL.

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Leading Articles—

Russia and "British Designs in the Far East."

The Land Question at Woonung.

Mandarin's Salaries and Expenses.

The Religious Orders in the Philippines.

Hayes' Training and Management of Horses.

The Census.

The New Road to Mount Kellet.

The Rebellion in the Philippines.

Why the Expedition of the Friars from the Philippines is demanded.

Pauvre Albion.

Supreme Court.

Hongkong Sanitary Board.

Affairs in Formosa.

The "Victory" Laid on the Sale of Land at Woonung.

The Hongkong Five.

China Trade Insurance Co., Limited.

The "Globe" in a Prohibited Anchorage.

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Hongkong, 15th September, 1896.

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Hongkong, 3rd September, 1896. [1089]

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I must not live, my loving wife,
And so I must, my loving wife,
I would not be a selfish poor,
Who dies and leaves his family poor.
I'll pay my premium every year,
And then my loved ones need not fear.
But what, when I am in my grave,
They'll have far more than I can save.
Oh, if I were dead, I'd like to see,
The money well provided for me.
And an old age, serene and bright,
And peaceful as a summer night.
Shall I not live for the grave?
If you would be my loving wife,
And wish to find out just how much
Premium cost to you will be,
Write, please, or call on us or me.
SHEWAN TOMES & CO.,
General Agents,
or
J. T. HAMILTON,
Hongkong, 3rd July, 1896. [2020]

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AQUARIUS.

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Sept. 15, SAGHALIEN, French str., 2,053, To Gail, Shanghai 12th September, Mails and Freight to the Orient—HARRISON.

Sept. 15, ARTHUR HEAD, British str., 1,857, Leonard, Bombay 26th August, Canton—ORDER.

Sept. 15, HONGKONG, German str., 2,079, General—HARRISON, Nagsuiki 11th Sept. General—MEYER & CO.

Sept. 15, MAZAGON, British str., 3,273, C. T. Denby, K.N.S., London and Singapore 20th Sept., General—P. & O. S. N. Co.

Sept. 15, WINGANG, British str., 1,617, T. H. Sellar, Shanghai 11th Sept., and Swatow 14th, General—AGENTS, ALAN TAYLOR & CO.

Sept. 15, CHURCHMAN, British str., 1,081, Canton 15th Sept., General—CRAWLWITZ & CO.

Sept. 15, ABERDEEN, German str., 613, Island, Saigon 10th Sept., General—HARRISON.

Sept. 15, FUERTE, Chinese str., 1,053, A. P. Clemens, Pao-ho River via Yichang 20th Sept., Canton and General—CRAWLWITZ & CO.

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, SEPTEMBER 16th, 1896.

The progress of Li HUNG-CHANG through
America has not been quite such a record
of adulation and flattery as was the case in
Europe. No doubt there was some desire
for contracts among manufacturers in the
United States, but there is no organization
in the Great Republic through which a
semi-barbarous Eastern magnate can be
fawned and fussed. In New York alone does
there appear to have been anything like an
effort made to do the veteran mandarin
special honour, and there, we are informed
by Reuters, he was accorded a grand
reception. That was on the 20th ult.,
and on the 7th inst. it was announced
that His Excellency had arrived at
Toronto en route for Vancouver. On the
10th inst. it is telegraphed that Li HUNG-
CHANG has made anxious inquiries about
the mooted proposal to increase the poll tax
on Chinese in Canada from \$50 to \$500.
The Chinese Government have always pro-
fessed to be strongly averse to emigration
from China to foreign countries, and there
is still an unrepented law on the statute
book prohibiting emigration. As a matter
of fact this law has been a dead letter for
at least four decades, and was probably never
strictly enforced. But it served the purpose
of the Peking authorities to retain it as
low, while they winked at its systematic
evasion. They would not give official con-
tinuance to emigration because that might,
and would, have involved any civilized
nation in the duty of providing for the
proper protection of its subjects in foreign
countries. Official methods are otherwise
in China; no responsibility is accepted if
any man can be avoided. The emigrants
may go and seek their fortune in any land
that will receive them, but the number of
such countries is an ever decreasing
one, as the Celestial visitors are not
as a rule attracted by a desirable class,
and while they bring little with them they
take a great deal away to China. So consider-
able have been the sums carried back by
some returned emigrants that even the
most ill-witted of the Chinese officials
have lately perceived the importance of
preventing the traffic to go on. Every
emigrant becomes a customer for Chinese
produce, and most of them remit money to

relatives in the Flowery Land, while
many return with substantial savings, oc-
casionaly amounting to a handsome com-
petence. The benefits derived from emigra-
tion were at first unappreciated by the
mandarins, but of late years, since the
restriction of their influx into the United
States and the Australian Colonies, the
advantages derived have become better
known by their loss.

One of the first to recognize the advan-
tages accruing to China from emigration was
His Excellency Li HUNG-CHANG. They
were soon forced upon his attention and
have been present in his mind ever since
the negotiation with him by the United
States Commissioners in 1880 of a Treaty
to restrict the immigration of Chinese into
that Republic. The action of the United
States Legislature and of the Australian
Colonies in practically closing these coun-
tries to the Chinese emigrant was very
disagreeable to the Peking Government, who
were at one time disposed to show some
resentment. But this was probably either
too much trouble, or it was deemed im-
politic, and though secretly pursuing the
anti-Chinese legislation in the United States
as a grievance no attempt was made to re-
taliate. As a matter of fact the door of
Uncle Sam's domain has never been quite
shut in the face of John Chinaman. The
latter is too cunning to be easily denied
admission, and though few Chinese
now go to the States direct they manage
to secure a passage indirectly. No
doubt both through Canada and Mexico
access has been obtained into the United
States by considerable numbers, though of
course very limited compared with the flow
of emigration prior to the last Bill passed
at Washington, which claimed to be iron-bound.
The exclusion of the Chinese from the
El Dorado they had found in the United States
caused an appreciable diminution in trade
between that country and China, and the
loss was felt chiefly by the latter. Li HUNG-
CHANG now fears that another avenue
through which Chinese enterprise finds em-
ployment is about to be cut off: that the poll
tax in Canada is shortly to be raised from
fifty to five hundred dollars. This would
close another great country to Chinese ex-
plorers and would also be the means of re-
ndering the United States inaccessible save
through Mexico. Whether the Canadian
Government will be impressed with Li's
objections to the virtual exclusion of Chinese
from the Dominion would result from
the levy of so large a sum as \$500 per head
as poll tax is doubtful. If the consequences
demand further restriction on the influx of
Chinese labourers, the Government will
feel bound to impose it. The decision
rests with the electors, and if the Cana-
dian working man fears the Chinaman
as a competitor in the labour market
he will do his utmost to exclude him.
The British Government has absolutely no
will simply have to submit. Canada, like
the United States, has gained largely from
the supply of Chinese cheap labour brought
gratuitously to her Pacific shores, but it is
pretty certain that with the flow of emigra-
tion westward the need for Chinese labour
will soon cease, and the same antagonism
that sprang up against the Mongolian in
California will arise in Canada. This is to
be expected, and though the exclusion of
the Chinese from Canada would prove a loss
to the country generally and to the city of
Vancouver in particular for some time to
come it is only what has been expected. The
advent of Asiatics in countries possessing a
temperate climate is seldom desired and
rarely tolerated long.

Some recent remarks in this column in con-
nection with the fresh outbreak of anti-
foreign feeling in the Kueicheng district, in-
famous by reason of the massacre there last
year of a number of helpless women and
children, have received further illustration
and point by a fact mentioned in our
contemporary. The Echo says that
by the decision of the Commission which
sat there after the massacre two of the
culprits concerned were banished beyond
the frontier, one for ten years and the other
for life. The sentence originally passed
was death, but this was subsequently com-
muted to exile. That was about a year
ago, and our contemporary avers that
both these criminals are now at their homes
in the neighbourhood of Kueicheng carrying
on their former occupation, either in cala-
mines or with the full knowledge of the
officials. The punishment was never
meant to be more than nominal, and as soon
as the first outbreak of indignation had sub-
sided these ruffians, whose action was no
doubt secretly applauded by the Viceroy
and his gang, were brought back and re-
instated in their homes, possibly with com-
pensation for the small loss or brief punish-
ment they had undergone. The coolies
whose heads were struck off may or may
not have been some of the actual perpetra-
tors of the tragedy, but the instigators of
the crime no doubt escaped altogether.
The action of the Fukien officials through-
out showed that their sympathies were with
the murderers, and everything possible was
done to screen the men who were respon-
sible for the net. The graves of the victims
are now green, and the first terrible grief
of the bereaved somewhat dulled, but the
memory of this atrocious and cowardly deed
should never be allowed to fade. The
statement of the Foochow journal ought to
be investigated by the British Consul,
if found correct, the Minister should insist
upon the offenders being made to undergo
their full sentence. To pardon them at this
stage is not only a burlesque on justice but
a gross insult to the British Government.

The O. S. S. Co's steamer *Baradine*, from
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